



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Linda G. Cima, Edward W. Merrill, and Philip R. Kuhl

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Examiner: Kathleen Carroll

For: *CELL GROWTH SUBSTRATES WITH TETHERED CELL GROWTH EFFECTOR MOLECULES*

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 19, 1996, please amend the application as follows. A Petition for an Extension of Time for three months, up to and including February 19, 1997, and the appropriate fee for a small entity, are enclosed with this response.

In the Specification

Please amend the abstract at line 1 to insert --described-- in place of "disclosed" and at line 10 to delete "new".

Page 1, line 19, delete "ingestible of";

Page 2, line 5, insert --the-- before "extracellular";

Page 4, line 13, insert --offer-- in place of "offers";